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HIDEAKI OKAMOTO		)	Examiner: Unassigned
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the foreign documents are enclosed.

The cited documents may be deemed pertinent for the reasons discussed at pages 1 and 2 of the specification

## **FORMAL MATTERS**

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no fee is believed to be due. However, any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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